*Koran in Law Courts.*

279 *MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the date of the Government order directing the Courts of Law to keep the copies of the Holy Koran locked up in separate boxes :

(*b*) whether there is any provision in the same Government order to the effect that the copies of the Holy Koran will be totally removed from all the Courts after a certain period ; and

(*c*) whether they will be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the same Government Order ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) 8th October 1927.

(*b*) The order was to the effect that if it was found that no Muslims called for the Koran in Courts for three years, the question of withdrawing the sacred volume from the Courts would be considered.

(*c*) A copy of G. O. R. O. C. No. 6058 of 27/Judl., dated the 8th October 1927, is laid on the table.

*Prohibition of procession with tom-tom in front of places of worship.*

280 *MR. M. MAHOMED HANEEF (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there is a prayer in the report submitted to Government by the non-official Muslim Committee who enquired into the firing by the Police at the Mosque at Quilon, for the passing of a Regulation prohibiting processions with *tom-tom* in front of all places of worship of every community in the State ; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they will be pleased to state the nature of the action taken by Government on the same ?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) No.

(*b*) This does not arise.

*Godown rent from the Tobacco Licensees.*

281 *MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amounts collected in the shape of godown rent from the tobacco licensees at the tobacco bankshalls at Quilon and Alleppey during the year 1109 ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) :

| | | Rs. | Chs. | C. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Quilon | ... | 9,408 | 7 | 12 |
| Alleppey | ... | 4,110 | 8 | 11 |

*Motor Bus and railway fares between Trivandrum and Shencotta.*

282 *MR. S. CHATTANATHA KARAYALAR (*Shencotta*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether there are motor buses plying for hire between Trivandrum and Shencotta ; and

*Vide Appendix IX.

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